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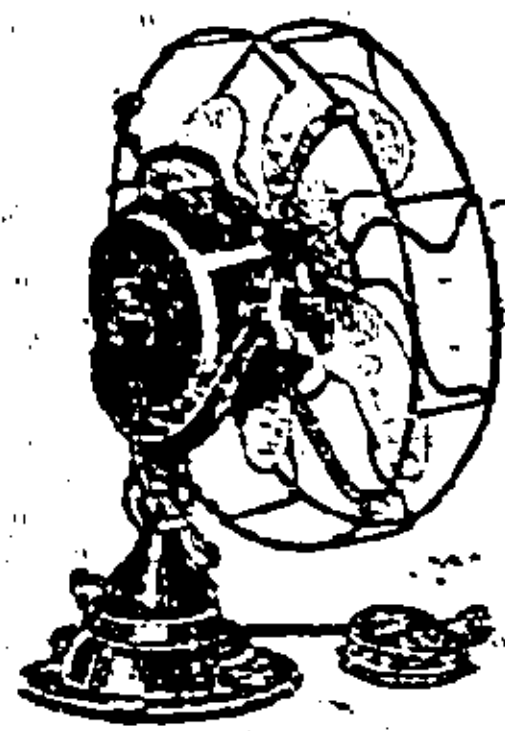
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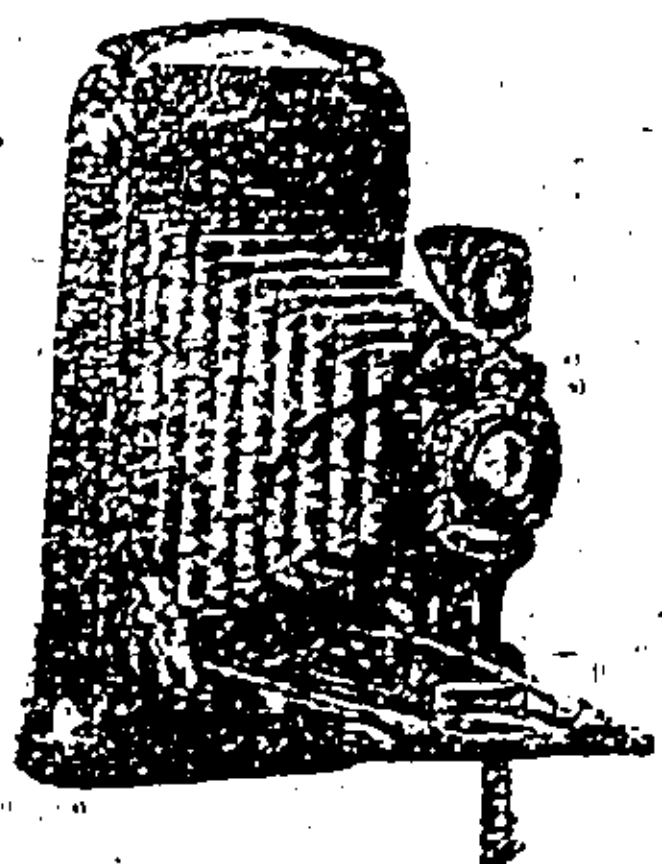
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

COAL DISPUTE

OWNERS HOLD OUT THE OLIVE BRANCH.

CONFERENCE SUGGESTED.

LONDON, June 6.

The coal owners held out the olive branch to the miners last night when Mr. Evan Williams, president of the Mining Association, sent a letter to Mr. Hodges stating that at a meeting of his executive to-day he would propose that the miners be invited to meet and there talk matters over. Mr. Williams says that the Premier's time limit as regards the ten millions subvention introduces a factor which the coal owners cannot ignore. He points out that although the offer does not affect them financially it is immensely valuable to the workers and coal owners and he is very desirous they should not lose it.

WAR CRIMINAL TRIALS.

OBEEDIENCE TO ORDERS GROUND FOR ACQUITTAL.

BERLIN, June 5.

A semi-official statement emphasises that the acquittal of Neumann who was in charge of the submarine which sank the hospital ship "Dover Castle," was solely due to the fact that he acted in obedience to the order of his superiors. The question of the legality of this order will form the subject of other proceedings.

PUEBLO FLOOD.

EARLY MORNING PANIC IN STRICKEN TOWN.

DENVER, June 5.

A flood due to the overflowing of the Arkansas and Fountain Rivers struck Pueblo at 1.45 in the morning. Hundreds of families lost everything in a mad rush to escape. Warning signals displayed at six o'clock in the evening apparently were not heeded. The loss of life is greatest in a suburb inhabited mainly by steel workers. A trainload of tents, food, and fresh water, is being sent from Denver to Pueblo where a regiment of the State Rangers has taken control to effect rescues and prevent looting. (See also our earlier cables.)

WILL CROOKS DEAD.

COOPER'S APPRENTICE WHO BECAME PRIVY COUNCILLOR.

LONDON, June 5.

The death is announced of Mr. Will Crooks, former Labour M.P. for Woolwich. [The Rt. Hon. Mr. Will Crooks was born on April 16, 1852. In 1892 his first wife, Matilda South, whom he married in 1871, died. In 1893 he married Elizabeth Coulter. He had two sons and four daughters. In 1886 he was apprenticed to a cooper. In 1892 he became a member of the L.C.C. and in 1901 Mayor of Poplar. He was chairman of the Poplar Board of Guardians from 1898 to 1906. He was Labour M.P. for Woolwich from 1903 to 1910 and again from December until his recent retirement from public life owing to failing health. He was made a Privy Councillor in 1916.]

CHINA MERCHANTS S. N. CO.

A DISORDERLY MEETING.

BALLOT BOX SMASHED.

Scenes of disorder were witnessed at the 47th annual general meeting of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co., held at the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce at Shanghai on Saturday afternoon, May 27. It is well known, of course, that for some time past strong differences of opinion have existed on the company's affairs and its future, in particular on the question of its disposal to a new company. One side has insisted upon knowing where the purchase money is to come from, suspecting its provision from foreign sources, and upon this point an acute controversy has been carried on. It was anticipated, therefore, that the course of the meeting would be by no means smooth, and the notable precaution was taken of having a number of Municipal police, foreign detectives Sikhs and Chinese, in attendance.

A PACKED MEETING SUSPECTED.

Some 700 shareholders were present, not all of them, it is alleged, quite genuine shareholders. One side goes so far as to say that a big majority of those present were employees who had been provided with, or had purchased, a share or two to enable them to vote on this occasion. Apparently, each side accuses the other of having "packed" the meeting. The total number of shares presented was 66,155. The discussion existing was emphasized by the distribution of circulars prepared by various interested parties, four different documents of this character being issued among those present.

Mr. Chow Chin-keung, formerly Taoyin of Shanghai, took the chair at 2.15, and Mr. Chang Tseung presided. Then followed a sharp criticism of the management, Mr. Sun Tih-chow, commander of the steamer "Kiangto," speaking as the representative of the Sheng Kung-pao family, was first to criticize the administration. He held that the returns were disappointing and urged complete reorganization of the company. A lengthy and frequently angry discussion ensued, and it was eventually suggested that the articles of association be amended and that a reorganization committee be appointed to serve temporarily on the board of directors.

THE MISSING BALLOT BOX.
The trouble began when this was put to the ballot. The arrangements for voting do not appear to have been entirely satisfactory and some confusion arose at the ballot boxes in front of the chairman's table, the confusion developing into something like a free fight. Voting papers were scattered broadcast and one of the ballot boxes was smashed and temporarily disappeared. A report gained currency in the meeting that the man who snatched away the ballot-box did so under instruction from Mr. Fu Siao-en, one of the old directors of the company, and that, after having been arrested by the police, this man was released, again on instructions from Mr. Fu Siao-en. The meeting actually passed a resolution that Mr. Fu should be held responsible for the incident.

Mr. Fu, however, who had been sitting in a side room, during the proceedings, was one of those who made a strong effort to calm the uproar. In conversation with a representative of the N.C.D. News he most positively denied the imputation of having been responsible for seizure of the ballot box. Mr. Fu's position is that, seeing upon entering the meeting the rough element which had been introduced, he took no part in the proceedings, remaining merely as an observer. He disclaims any part in the rowdy turn taken by the meeting.

Order was eventually restored, and the announcement was made that the ballot had resulted in the re-election of three of the old directors and six new directors, viz. Messrs. Li Wei-hou, 66,598 votes; Chow Chin-keung, 66,412 votes; and Chen Tao-tai, 66,402 votes; with new directors as follows:—Edward

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AN EXCHANGE PROBLEM.

LEGAL JUDGMENT AFFECTED.

AN INTERESTING POINT.

BREACH OF CONTRACT ACTION.

The rate of exchange upon which a judgment should be based was an important point which cropped up in an action for breach of contract which came before His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Supreme Court to-day.

The plaintiffs were Norman Clarke Duplop and Company of London and the defendants Lim and Hin of Des Vaux Road, Hongkong. Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston) appeared for the former, the case being undefended.

It was alleged in the statement of claim that the defendants had refused to take up the documents or to pay the purchase price of a quantity of worsted lastings and flannels delivered to them in 1920 by the plaintiffs under three separate contracts. Payment of £11,000 sterling was claimed. Mr. Jenkin said that the claim was made upon three c.i.f. contracts. Documents including four months bills were tendered to the defendants for acceptance but were dishonoured. The plaintiffs were, he submitted, entitled to payment of the purchase price with interest and charges.

Documents relating to the transaction were formally produced by Mr. E. T. H. Bunje, local agent for the plaintiffs. His Honour: What has become of the goods?

Mr. Jenkin said that they were held by the banks who had financed the transaction. His Honour: I see you claim the equivalent of £11,000 in Hongkong dollars.

Mr. Jenkin: Yes. His Honour: What rate do you ask for? Mr. Jenkin: It is usually given at the current rate at the date of judgment.

His Honour: Is that correct? Mr. Jenkin: I am not sure that it is in accordance with the latest decisions at Home. I do not know to what extent you would make them apply to this Colony where all contracts are on exchange. His Honour: I can't give judgment in sterling, can I? Mr. Jenkin: No.

In reply to His Honour counsel said that a judgment based on the rate of the date of breach would work considerable hardship in this Colony.

His Honour: I think I had better give you judgment in the amount of dollars to be ascertained by the registrar. If he has any difficulty he can refer the matter back to me. Judgment was entered accordingly.

How a Chinese lady who had concealed herself in a clothes basket caught a small *mui tai* in the act of stealing articles from her clothes line was related to Magistrate Lindsell in the Police Court on Saturday when the youngster was brought up on a charge of theft. It was explained by Inspector Appleton that the Chinese lady had been missing clothes hung out to dry and so decided to set a trap. Dropping a handbell in a clothes basket and when the bell tinkled she jumped out and caught the *mui tai* taking down the coat. Observing that the child appeared to be ill-cared for, the Magistrate directed that she should be sent to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. Instructions were given that she should in the meantime go to Po Leung Kuk.

Sheng, Chen Sze-chow, Ivan Chen, Mui Tsou-chi, Chang Tse-sung and Shao Chi-yu.

PROTEST TO PERING.

In view of the character of the meeting and the alleged impossibility of there having been a correct vote in the circumstances, a number of shareholders immediately decided upon sending a telegram to the Government asking that a representative be sent to Shanghai to investigate the matter. It is possible that the ballot box incident may be the subject of legal proceedings.

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DEVEREUX—On May 25, 1921, at Newchwang, to Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Devereux, a daughter.

HOLLAMBY—On May 28, 1921, at Tientsin, to the wife of S. H. Hollamby, a son.

KUNG—On May 30, 1921, at Shanghai to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kung, a son, Louis William.

MARRIAGE.

LOBB-BRIGHTMAN—On Saturday, May 28, 1921, at Shanghai, Henry Brougham Lobb to Constance, fourth daughter of Captain and Mrs. F. Brightman, of Bedford.

DEATH.

LOVER—On May 29, 1921, at Shanghai, Edwin George Banning Lover. Age 39 years.

The China Mail.
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HONGKONG, MONDAY, JUNE 6, 1921.

THE COAL STRIKE.

That Mr. Austen Chamberlain should indulge in the usual party politics at a party dinner is, none of our business. It is so essentially

err. it will not be wholly our fault out here. Mostly we have had the case presented as one of "the community" of 10 millions against a "Bolshevistic" minority of 21 millions. Even if there had been a threat of "direct action" on some national issue, such figures would have been absurd. The 21 millions represent, presumably, the contributing or working members of the Triplex. Their families have to be counted in, which would give us about twelve millions, or say a full quarter of the community. To that we should then add the not inconsiderable number of those who not personally interested as regards wages, conditions of work, or standard of living, sympathize with the men, believe them to be in the right, and would presumably vote with them. This would include the majority of Trade Unionists in the country, so that it is rather a bold assumption by the syndicate Press to represent the other party in this dispute as "the nation" or "the community" struggling against a revolutionary minority. Mr. Chamberlain, we notice, scored an oratorical point by suggesting that a Cabinet Minister is a Working Man, who works more than eight hours a day. Quite right, of course; but in so far as it implies the suggestion that our miners are a lot of lazy loafers, responsible for decreased production, as was commonly asserted last year, it is unfair. The men are certainly not responsible for the present mess. We go further than that, and we add that neither are the coal owners responsible for it. The politicians are the bigger in the woodpile. Their decision (that against the Commission) to undo what was thought necessary and right during war, and hand back the nation's mines to private control, came at the worst possible time, when the market was low owing to high politics. They first forced up the export price, even against our Allies, and then they destroyed the market by flooding the continental market with German coal. Their weird foreign policy and gross extravagance are the factors that are ignored. The miners are fighting chiefly against a lowering of their standard of living, tediously elevated before, and secondarily for nationalization, which has been tried during war and found to work. The owners are fighting for what they have every right to fight for, namely, as much profit as they can get. The politicians, who ignore their own machinery for settling such disputes, and intervene personally with disastrous results, are fighting for Place. The rest of us are fighting to understand, fighting in a quicksand of ignorant or malicious misrepresentation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Four fatal cases of plague and three fatal cases of smallpox, all Chinese, were reported on Saturday.

A Chinese was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday suffering from a cut on the head said to have been received in the course of a fight with another Chinese who is now in police custody. The man's injury is not considered serious.

Suffering from injuries to his body alleged to have been received in the course of a fight with another man, a Chinese was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital. The alleged assailant, whose name the patient gave as Wang Kee, has absconded.

Mr. Albert L. Waters, mining engineer and superintendent, passed away suddenly at the Yungtze-shan Mine in Chulung on May 30 at 2.30 a.m. Mr. Waters had taken a deep interest in the mine, which is being jointly operated by the Kwangtung Government and Mr. C. E. Richardson.

A sum of \$3,800 collected on behalf of his employee was embezzled by an accountant who has absconded, according to a report made to the police on Saturday by Hung Kwok Leung, merchant of No. 5, Bonham Street, East. The police think it extraordinary that the merchant should have allowed the matter to lapse so long before making his report, as the offence is alleged to have been committed on June 1.

Joseph Neal, when charged before Magistrate Orme this morning with being a vagrant, admitted being out of employment. Inspector Blackman, who prosecuted, said that he had taken the defendant to see the chaplain in charge of the Mission to Seamen, but the latter refused to have anything more to do with the defendant. He had also interviewed the Harbour Master, who asked that the defendant be sent to the House of Detention until such time as work could be found for him. The defendant was sent to the House of Detention.

SPECIAL CABLES.

OLYMPIAD MARATHON.

JAPANESE WINS GREAT RACE.

PHILIPPINES WIN DECATHLON.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, June 5. Four Japanese entered the 25-mile Marathon. The Chinese and Filipinos are not participating. Two of the contestants, Mogi and Yashima, participated in the Antwerp marathon. Imagawa was the winner in two hours 37 minutes 16.45 seconds. Mogi was second and Yashima third. It was a great exhibition. The difference between winner and the last man, Hasegawa, was eight minutes. The winner showed surprising freshness at the conclusion of the race, circling the track at a fast pace and finishing with a brisk sprint. The others were also in good condition. An ovation was accorded. The Philippines won the decathlon. Japan was second, China third. Only four competitors survived the strenuous ten events.

SHANGHAI LABOUR UNREST.

SITUATION DISQUIETING.

THREE MORE STRIKES DECLARED.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, June 5. The carpenters, masons, and fitters have joined the washmen's strike. The Police believe that the industrial unrest is directed from the French concession and that the author is a Chinese agitator, the tool of Russian Bolshevism. The situation is disquieting.

FAR EASTERN TENNIS.

FILIPINO WINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, June 5. Fargas, the Filipino champion, beat Tanaka, the Japanese player, in the Far Eastern Tennis Championship after a royal battle.

MARSHAL JOFFRE.

A VISIT TO JAPAN.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, June 5. Marshal Joffre is to visit Japan in the autumn to return the courtesy of the crown Prince's visit to France.

SHIP'S CARGO BROACHED.

JAIL FOR RECEIVER.

Articles stolen from a ship's cargo were produced in Court this morning when Sergt. Lane, of the Water Police, charged a Chinese before Magistrate Orme with having unlawfully received stolen property, namely 100 pen knives. The Sergeant said that when the defendant was searched in Canton Road yesterday the knives were found tied up in his girdle. When charged at the station, he declared that he bought them from a coolie for \$3. As the knives were worth at least 30 cents each, the witness did not believe his story and took him to the various ships alongside the wharves to make enquiries. The knives were identified as part of the cargo of the "Malacca Maru," one case having been broken open and several hundreds of knives stolen.

The Magistrate convicted. Sergt. Lane produced the defendant's finger prints to prove a previous conviction. In spite of this proof the defendant stubbornly denied that he had been to jail before. The Magistrate: Alright then, we will show you your photo. When Sergt. Vincent produced the defendant's photo, he said: "Oh, yes, only that one time." The Magistrate: Six months.

THINGS OVERLOOKED.

SHANGHAI WIRELESS.

Reuter may have told us of this at the time, but if so, we overlooked it. "Current History," the New York monthly review, says a Note was despatched by the Washington Government to Peking on February 16, declaring that the United States would regard as an unfriendly act the cancellation by the Chinese Government of a contract made with the Federal Telegraph Company, an American Company, to erect a high-power wireless plant at Shanghai.

This note followed receipt of information that a British Marconi company, supported by the British Minister to Peking, was endeavouring to have the American Company's contract abrogated. The United States also sent a Note on the subject to the British Government, insisting on the maintenance of "the open door."

SATURDAY'S GYMKHANA.

SOME INTERESTING RACING.

HONGKONG CHIEF COMES HOME.

There was some keen racing at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon when a big crowd attended the third Gymkhana meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club. The event took place in delightful weather, the turf was in good condition and the general enjoyment derivable from the fixture was added to considerably, from the point of view of most of the racegoers, by the circumstance that favourites were well to the fore amongst the day's winners. Scampardale's defeat in the Gymkhana stakes, the big race of the afternoon, disappointed a big following of backers but the excellent performance of the winner, Hongkong Chief, met with deservedly warm recognition. Parran, who ran into second place, now heads the list of competitors for the Gymkhana cup with six points to its credit. Four points have been scored by three ponies—Speckled Mouse, Scampardale, and Hongkong Chief. Spotted Sand being last with three points.

Mr. T. W. Doyle, who rode three winners on Saturday and two placed horses, easily heads the list of successful jockeys for the season to date. Altogether he has six winners to his credit. Mr. Bell-Irving being next with six. Mr. Soares who had a big list of place wins broke a run of bad luck on Saturday by guiding home Hongkong Chief in the Gymkhana Stakes.

There was plenty of patronage for the pari-mutuel and cash sweeps on Saturday and the amount of money that changed hands during the afternoon must have been pretty considerable. Straight-out investments showed a good return in many cases but the place dividends, except in one or two instances, were very big. Under the baton of Bandmaster Easton the band of the White Horse Regiment provided musical selections on the lawn during the afternoon, adding considerably to the attractiveness of the fixture.

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Gymkhana Committee.—Mr. H. Birkett, Mr. C. H. Blason, Mr. D. E. Clark, Dr. C. Forsyth, Mr. J. Bell-Irving, Mr. T. Leitch, and Major Timmis.
Judge.—Mr. D. E. Clarke.
In Charge of the Scale.—Mr. H. Birkett, Mr. R. M. Dyer, and Mr. T. Leitch.
Starter.—Brig-Gen. E. B. Macnamagh.
Paddock.—Dr. C. Forsyth, and Mr. H. P. White.
Timekeeper.—Mr. A. E. S. Alves.

RESULTS.

1.—HALF MILE RACE.

For Subscription Grifflins of both classes of this season 1920-1921 which have run and not won a race either at the official meeting or at Gymkhanas. 1st prize, \$250; 2nd prize, \$100; 3rd prize, \$75.

Mr. H. P. White's Carpenter, 155 lbs. (Mr. P. Kremer) 1

Mr. C. R. Thompson's Shooting Star, 155 lbs. (Mr. Thompson) 2

Mr. John Bell-Irving's Miserrimus Doleful, 155 lbs. (Mr. Bell-Irving) 3

Mr. B. Basto's Frampton, 155 lbs. (Mr. T. W. Doyle) 0

Mr. Ferdinand's Workshop (late Don Juan), 155 lbs. (Mr. Soares) 0

Mr. Blank's King Harry, 155 lbs. (Mr. Gibson) 0

Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak's Peradventure, 152 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0

Mr. Constow's Nightmare (late Meadow Mouse), 149 lbs. (Mr. C. M. Alves) 0

Mr. Albert's Glad Eye (late East), 149 lbs. (Capt. Spinks) 0

Messrs. Hosie and Lay's By Jingo, 159 lbs. (Major Timmis) 0

A length separated first and second and half-a-length second and third.

Time: 1min. 1sec.

Pari-mutuel. Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$67.50 Ticket No.

1. 12.90 427, \$1,489.60

2. 56.20 121, 425.60

3. 8.30 367, 212.80

Unplaced starters—Nos. 140, 359, 457, 568, 222, 383, 219.

2.—CLASS HANDICAP.

A-Class: Once round.—For China ponies. 1st prize, \$250; 2nd prize, \$100; 3rd prize, \$75.

Mr. Staves' Bolshevick, 155 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 1

Mr. John Bell-Irving's Hiddley-winks, 154 lbs. (Mr. Bell-Irving) 2

Mr. C. R. Thompson's Lightning, 148 lbs. (Mr. Thompson) 3

Sir Paul's Charing Cross, 157 lbs. (Mr. Gibson) 0

Mr. P. A. Cox's September Morn, 155 lbs. (Mr. Bartholomew) 0

Mr. Soares' Forest Child, 150 lbs. (Mr. Soares) 0

A length separated first and second and a length and a half second and third.

Time: 1min. 57 1/2 secs.

Pari-mutuel. Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$18.50 Ticket No.

1. 8.00 351, \$2,385.60

2. 8.00 258, 681.60

3. 24.00 401, 340.80

Unplaced starters—Nos. 249, 147, 136, 701, 735, 192, 715, 231.

3.—POLO PONY SCURRY.

Distance about 500 yards round a post and in. For bona fide trained Polo Ponies regularly played this season up to the date of this meeting, certified as such by the Committee of the Hongkong Polo Club. To be ridden by playing members of the Hongkong Polo Club. 1st prize, \$75; 2nd prize, \$30; 3rd prize, \$20.

Mr. Spragge's Brown Paper (Mr. Spragge) 1

Mr. John Bell-Irving's Woe Mouse (Mr. J. Bell-Irving) 2

Mr. M. Blood's Fighting Tight (Mr. Blood) 3

Mr. F. A. Pollock's Silva (Mr. Pollock) 0

Major A. W. Timmis' Talisman (Major Timmis) 0

Mr. J. M. Dodington's Jorrocks (Mr. Dodington) 0

Mr. R. M. P. Beaven's Chow (Mr. Beaven) 0

Mr. W. D. Fiddes-Wilson's Punch (Mr. Wilson) 0

Mr. Seth's Moonshine (Mr. Bartholomew) 0

Mr. C. R. Thompson's Consternation (Mr. Stophord) 0

Mr. J. E. H. Bibby's Norwith-standing (Mr. Bibby) 0

Half a length separated first and second and a length and a half second and third.

Time: 1min. 13secs.

Pari-mutuel. Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$11.80 Ticket No.

1. 7.20 742, \$2,241.40

2. 13.10 717, 640.40

3. 10.10 264, 320.20

Unplaced starters—Nos. 502, 303, 148, 131, 725, 395, 510, 377, 698, 584.

7.—ONE AND A QUARTER MILE RACE.

Handicap. For China ponies 1st prize, \$300; 2nd prize, \$150; 3rd prize, \$75.

Mr. Seth's The Ameer, 147 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 1

Mr. John Bell-Irving's Jawleyford (late Dolphin), 162 lbs. (Mr. Bell-Irving) 2

Mr. Albert's Spoilt Child, 145 lbs. (Mr. Soares) 3

Messrs. Braywood Leitch's Flywheel, 154 lbs. (Mr. Soares) 0

Dr. Forsyth's Neston, 150 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0

Dr. Forsyth's Leighton, 157 lbs. (Mr. F. Sutton) 0

Mr. Soares' Dandy Child, 152 lbs. (Mr. Soares) 0

Mr. B. Basto's Tweedledum, 150 lbs. (Mr. Potts) 0

Mr. Ferdinand's Birdshop (late Blackbird Dahlia), 148 lbs. (Mr. Remedios) 0

Mr. Tricolore's Quo Vadis (late Field Child), 148 lbs. (Mr. Kremer) 0

Mr. Seth's Savernake, 147 lbs. (Mr. Thompson) 0

Mr. Blank's King Harry, 147 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0

Messrs. Hosie and Lay's By Jingo, 146 lbs. (Major Timmis) 0

Frome won by a neck; three quarters of a length between second and third.

Time: 2min. 41secs.

Pari-mutuel. Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$30.50 Ticket No.

1. 7.20 171, \$2,776.20

2. 6.70 66, 793.20

3. 7.90 555, 396.60

Unplaced starters—Nos. 131, 452, 160, 418, 398, 209, 64, 566.

WHY

DO WE SPEAK OF "DRINKING A TOAST?"

The use of the word "toast" in this sense of a drink consumed in honour of someone or something, arose from the old custom of placing toasted bread in wine, and the way in which the term came to signify the health or well-being of the person in honour of whom the libation was offered, is described in an early issue of the "Tattler."

It happened that on a public day a celebrated beauty of those times (the days of Charles I.) was in the Cross Bath and one of the crowd of her admirers took a glass of the water in which the fair one stood and drank her health to the company. There was in the place a gay fellow, half fuddled, who offered to jump in, and swore, though he liked not the liquor, he would have the toast-making an illusion to the usage of the times of drinking with a bit of toast at the bottom of the glass. He was opposed in his resolution, yet this whim gave foundation to the present honour, which is done to the lady we mention in our liquor, ever since called a "toast."

Letters delivered in the provinces will bear no "inward" postmark from this week onwards. The old custom of stamping the time of arrival at the office of delivery has been dying out. One delivery a day in London still continues to bear an "inward postmark." The original idea of the "inward" postmark was to check "delay of letters," said a Post Official. These cases of delay are so few in number of letters that with the London exception, it has been abandoned.

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THE PARIS-PYRENEES PARIS TRIAL. One of the most arduous of Motorcycle Trials. Course over 1250 miles of some of the best roads. Most of the travelling was through treacherous country roads. Rivers and streams have to be forded and steep gradients climbed. ROUTE. Start was made from Paris on the 30th ult. and via various French towns and villages to Pau, situated in the Pyrenees Mountains. From Pau to Toulouse, by the mountainous passes of the Pyrenees, and to Bordeaux by the 5th instant. From Bordeaux back to Paris.

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WAR ON CANCER.

A NEW METHOD.

PATIENTS EMPOWERED WITH X-RAYS.

In a small room at the London Hospital a new method of treating cancer by X-rays is being used with the most hopeful indications.

Dr. S. Gilbert Scott, the medical officer in charge of the hospital's radiological department, who devised the apparatus, explained the grounds for hope that deep-seated cancers may be controlled as successfully as surface cancers have been by the old X-ray method.

"We can at present in most cases control superficial cancers (growths near the external surface of the body). Here is a man who came to the London Hospital with a cancerous tumour in the back whose life was not worth many months' purchase but who is now, after treatment with X-rays, in the Metropolitan Police Force.

But while these superficial cancers are being made to disappear, they give off cells which float through the body and often lodge in deep-seated parts and there give rise to new growths. It occurred to me, 'Why can't we prevent people from dying from these secondary growths by catching and destroying the wandering cells before they settle down in the deep parts?'

"Up to now we have used X-rays only on the small local area of the primary or first cancerous tumour. In this new method practically the whole body is bombarded with X-rays. Already it is established that the effect with this new method is better than that of the old one on superficial cancers. There is good reason to hope that we may be able to prevent the formation of the deep ones which hitherto have in most cases been eventually fatal."

THE APPARATUS.

The apparatus, which was provided from funds collected by Mr. Arthur Serena from his friends, consists of two powerful Coolidge tubes. The patient sits on a seat, between them and for ten minutes or so is bombarded with X-rays on the back and front of the body; then for ten minutes more he sits so that the rays go in through each side of the body. Both tubes are in action together.

In this way the whole trunk is brought under the influence of the X-rays. The rays come through a plate of aluminium, which filters them and prevents any damage to the patient's skin. Patients feel no pain.

SOMETHING DEPENDABLE.

YARRHOL is always more or less prevalent during the winter. It is provided for it. Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy is prompt and effective. It can always be depended upon. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

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A SOAKED WICKET.

Following on, Hongkong batted on a wicket which had been thoroughly soaked during the night. Sayer, Bagnall and Rumball all played well but at no time looked really dangerous. O'Hara again bowled well and was well backed up by Leach, Allison and Hansell appeared innocuous on the slow wicket which required a bowler who could spin the ball. The Shanghai fielding in this innings deteriorated to the real Saturday afternoon Shanghai standard. But for some half-dozen dropped catches Hongkong would have had some difficulty in reaching a total of 100.

THE VISITORS' PERENNIAL DIFFICULTY.

As usual, it is necessary to point out the difficulty the visiting side has to select a representative side. With Hancock and Pearce in the visiting side Shanghai would have had to go all the way. The Shanghai Selection Committee had a most difficult task, but their choices have been justified. Deeks batted for 55 minutes for 9 and helped to give us an invaluable start, but he was hardly a success behind the wicket. The selectors probably took a chance they will not willingly take again.

THIEF KILLED.

FALL FROM VERANDAH.

DRAMATIC EARLY MORNING INCIDENT.

An exciting incident with a fatal sequel is reported to the police by Wu Tze Hong, a merchant of No. 12, Mantsenghong, who states that about 3.30 yesterday morning four men entered his house by the verandah. Two men caught him by the throat while the others searched his pockets, stealing \$253 in notes. During the struggle, one of the inmates of the house called out "thief" and "safe life." The intruders thereupon made a dash for the verandah. Three of them, slid safely down the drain pipe into the street, but the fourth man missed his hold and fell. He was killed instantaneously.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the local American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory at 9.30 a.m. today: "Low pressure area covering the N. China Sea. A depression may be forming in the neighbourhood of Balintang Channel."

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"TEUCER"	11th Aug.	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
"TEIRESIAS"	18th Aug.	London, Amsterdam & Antwerp

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(Direct or via Continental Ports)

"SURYABES"	7th June	Genoa, M'las. & Liverpool
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"YANGTZE"	20th July	M'las, Havre, L'pool & G'gow

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"TALTYBIUS"	15th June	Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver
"TYNDAREUS"	6th July	
"PROTESILAEUS"	3rd Aug.	

NEW YORK SERVICE

(via Suez or Panama)

"DEUCALION"	5th July	via Suez
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HOMEWARD PASSENGER SERVICE

"ANCHISES"	9th July	for London
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"ASCANTUS"	30th Aug.	for London

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Telegraphic Communication with Wagon Lighthouse is restored.

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the times given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Monday, June 6.	To
Calcutta and Straits	Totomi Maru	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Montezuma	
Thursday, June 9.		
Japan	Atsuta Maru	
Friday, June 10.		
Japan	Tatsumi Maru	
Straits	Delta	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Monday, June 6.	Time.
Macao	Chenschow	4.15 p.m.
Samsui and Wuchow	Tientsin	4.30 p.m.
Peking and Haiphong	Kaiping	5 p.m.
Pakhoi and Haiphong	Taiwa Maru	6 p.m.
Thursday, June 9.		
Hankow and Haiphong	Kaiping	6 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Lochow	9 a.m.
Samsui and Bangkok	Hinsang	11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haibong	11 a.m.
Shanghai and North China	Shanghai	11 a.m.
Straits and Bangkok	Tientsin	11 a.m.
Japan	Wingsing	11 a.m.
Tientsin	Chensui Maru	4 p.m.
Tuesday, June 7.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Chung King	5 p.m.
Wednesday, June 8.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Takung	6 a.m.
Shanghai and North China	Tientsin	11 a.m.
Thursday, June 9.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hupoh	6 a.m.
Shanghai and North China	Sochow	11 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta & Aden	Kwaiyang	2 p.m.
Tientsin	Chipsing	5 p.m.
Friday, June 10.		
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marquis, South Africa, India via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
Dharmabadi, Egypt & EUROPE via	Wingsing	2 p.m.
MASSILLON. Registration 8.45 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Saturday, June 11.		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
Central & South America & EUROPE via	Wingsing	2 p.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Sunday, June 12.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Monday, June 13.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Tuesday, June 14.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Wednesday, June 15.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Thursday, June 16.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Friday, June 17.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Saturday, June 18.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		
Sunday, June 19.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai and North China		
Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE via	Atsuta Maru	11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Philippine Islands		

WEATHER REPORT.

June 6d. 12h. 17m.—Pressure has increased moderately at Shanghai. Changes since yesterday are small at other reporting stations.

A depression is still shown over Tongking.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.55 inch. Total since January 1st, 48.89 inches, against an average of 36.37 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on June 7th.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. S. winds, moderate to squally rainy.

2.—Fouquet Channel. Variable winds, moderate.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamma. S. and S.E. winds moderate.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,

HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JUNE 6, 1921.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Victoria	5 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	11 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	6 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	11 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	4 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	10 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	7 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	1 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	6 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	11 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	4 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	7 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	10 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	1 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	6 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	11 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	4 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	7 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	10 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	6 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	4 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	7 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	10 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	6 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	11 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	4 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	7 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	10 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	6 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	11 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	4 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	7 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
Victoria	10 p.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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Victoria	6 a.	29.91	85	—	—	—	—
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